

concerned States to expedite the payment of their share cost to Gujarat.

Dilapidated Conditions of Monuments in U.P.

311. SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware of that priceless monuments of archaeological importance are in dilapidated condition in Faizabad, Farrukhabad and Aligarh districts of Uttar Pradesh due to their inadequate maintenance;

(b) whether the Government propose to take appropriate steps for their maintenance and protection in future; and

(c) if so, the project-wise details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) The monuments under central protection are kept in good maintenance by the Archaeological Survey of India.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Action Plan for Sardar Sarovar Canal

312. SHRI DINSHA PATEL :

SHRI SHANTILAL PARSOTAMDAS PATEL :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have asked the Government of Gujarat to prepare a three year time bound action plan for completion of Sardar Sarovar Canal and distribution system;

(b) if so, whether sufficient funds would be made available to the Gujarat Government for the purpose;

(c) whether the Gujarat Government have demanded Rs. 150 crores grant for next year instead of proposed Rs. 100 crores; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISSHRA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Kottapuram-Kollam Waterway

313. SHRI T. GOVINDAN :

SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN :

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have given any direction to the National Waterway Authority of India to release immediately the full amount for the development of the declared West Coast Canal as National Waterway III and also to allot additional funds, if necessary;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the steps taken by the Government to study the feasibility for extension of the Inland National Waterway III from Kottapuram to Kasaragod in the North, and from Kollam to Kovalam in the South and to make adequate provision for the same in the Ninth Five Year Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b) Developmental works on National Waterway are being implemented by the Inland Waterways Authority of India. Funds for the various developmental activities are provided to IWAI by scheme-wise grants from the Central Budget every year. A sum of Rs. 4.00 crores has been provided in the year 1996-97 for undertaking developmental works on National Waterway-3 in Kerala. The provision is expected to be fully utilised. Requirements of adequate funds are being projected for next financial year also.

(c) Techno-economic feasibility of development of navigation in Kottapuram-Kasaragod and Kollam-Kovalam stretches of West Coast Canal were studied in phases during the period 1989 to 1993. The studies brought out that development of navigation in above stretches are technically complex and economically unviable. However, a study has been entrusted to the National Transportation Planning and Research Centre (NATPAC) for reviewing the earlier studies. The study by NATPAC is expected to be completed by end of March, 1997. Provisions for development work on Kottapuram-Kasaragod and Kollam-Kovalam stretches have been suggested for 9th Plan by the working group on IWT. Further steps for development of these stretches as National Waterway will be taken based on outcome of the ongoing study.

Ayurvedic Medicine Scam

314. SHRI MANGAL RAM PREMI :

SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has completed its investigation in the matter of ayurvedic medicine purchase scam in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the findings of the Bureau and the details of the persons involved in the scam; and

(c) the action, the Government propose to take in the matter ?